

Video Extender - 4K HDMI, VGA, RS-232, Wallplate Transmitter with Audio

User Manual

Provides a wallplate interface for HDMI/VGA input sources.



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 - C: El aparato ha sido expuesto a la lluvia; o
 - D: El aparato parece no operar normalmente o muestra un cambio en su desempeño; o
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1. The system must be grounded properly. Do not use two-blade plugs and ensure the alternating power supply ranges from 100 to 240 VAC and 50 to 60 Hz.
2. Do not put the control panel in an environment that is not within the its temperature tolerance.
3. Because the switch's power generates heat when running, be sure the working environment is properly ventilated to avoid damage caused by equipment overheating.
4. Turn off the general power switch in humid weather or when the control panel will be left unused for long time.
5. Before operating, be sure that the alternating current wire is pulled out of the power supply.
6. NEVER open the casing of the equipment, DO NOT repair it on your own. This might be harmful to persons or the equipment.
7. DO NOT splash any liquids on or around the equipment.

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1. Specifications

Video	
Input	(1) HDMI, (1) VGA
Input Connector	(1) 19-pin Type A HDMI F, (1) 15-pin VGA
Output	(1) HDBaseT
Output Connector	(1) RJ-45
Transmission Mode	HDBaseT
Audio	
Input	(1) synchronous VGA audio
Input Connector	(1) 3.5-mm stereo jack
Frequency Response	20 Hz–20 kHz
Impedance	>10 ohms, ASNR, >85 dB @ 20 Hz–20 kHz
Control Ports	
Control Ports	(1) 3-pin RS-232 socket on front panel, (1) 3-pin RS-232 socket on rear panel (shares the grounding pole with 12 V output)
General	
Resolution	VGA: 800 x 600, 1024 x 768, 1280 x 800,1280 x 1024, 1440 x 900,1600 x 1200, 1920 x 1080, 1920 x 1200; HDMI: 4Kx2K, 1080p 3D, 1080P(HD)/1080i/720P/576P/576 i/480P/480i
Transmission Distance	1080P < or = 60 m (PoC) 4K x 2K < or = 40 m (PoC)
Bandwidth	10.2 Gbps
HDMI Standard	Support HDMI1.4 and HDCP
Hardware	
Chassis Style	Decora-style wall-gang
Dimensions	4.1"H x 3.5"W x 1.7"D (10.4 x 8.9 x 4.4 cm)
Weight	0.63 lb. (0.29 kg)
Environmental	
Operating Temperature	-14 to 104° F (-10 to +40° C)
Operating Humidity	10–90%

2. Overview

2.1 Introduction

The Video Extender —4K HDMI, VGA, RS-232, Wallplate Transmitter with Audio (AVS-HDB-WPTX) is a Decora style transmitter that installs in a double-gang wall box to provide a convenient interface for HDMI/VGA input sources. It has (1) HDMI IN, (1) VGA IN and (1) HDBaseT OUT with PoC connector. It supports VGA as a full HD scale. HDMI 1.4 with 4k and 3D input signals support auto-switching and manual-switching. The HDBaseT output supports 60-m UHD video transmission with PoC, and enables bi-directional RS-232 communication between the AVS-HDB-WPTX and the remote device. Using PoC, AVS-HDB-WPTX can be powered via a far-end PoC receiver.

2.2 Features

- Selectable HDMI/VGA with audio input
- Supports VGA output resolution up to 1920x1200
- High bandwidth: 10.2 Gbps
- Built-in scaler, scales HDMI/VGA signals to match the native resolution of the display.
- Transmits HDMI signals up to 4K
- Compliant with HDMI 1.4, support 1080p 3D
- HDCP compliance, equipped with HDCP auto-tracking solution
- Provides auto-switching capability
- Supports multiple control methods including front-panel buttons, and RS-232. The extender supports bi-directional RS-232 passthrough control.
- Supports firmware upgrading via USB.
- Powered by a 12-VDC power output or PoC connection up to 60 m.
- Made of aluminum, so it cools faster.

2.3 What's Included

Your package should include the following items. If anything is missing or damaged, contact Black Box Technical Support at 724-746-5500 or info@blackbox.com.

- (1) Video Extender —4K HDMI, VGA, RS-232, Wallplate Transmitter with Audio (AVS-HDB-WPTX)
- (4) Screws (for AVS-HDB-WPTX)
- (3) Pluggable Terminal Blocks ([1] 2-pin block, [1] 3-pin block, and [1] 4-pin block)
- (1) Faceplate
- (4) Screws (for the faceplate)
- (1) Power Adapter (12-VDC, 2-A, selectable)
- This printed user manual

2.4 Hardware Description

2.4.1 Front Panel

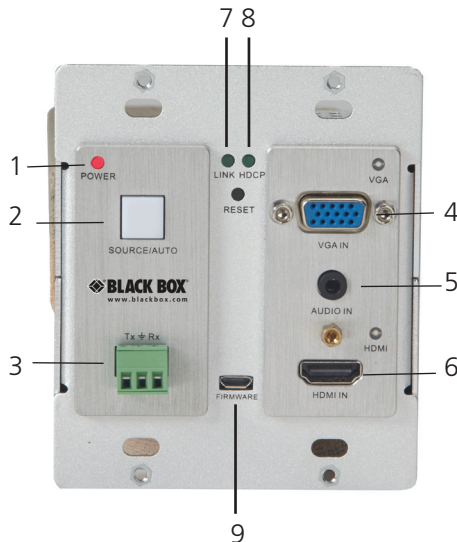


Figure 2-1. Front panel.

Table 2-1. Components.

Number	Name	Description
1	Power LED	Lights red when power is on.
2	SOURCE/AUTO button	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Used as video source selection button (with backlight off): Press to select one source, press again to select next source, switching circularly between HDMI and VGA. The indicator of the selected input source will light green. Used as switching mode selection button (with backlight on): Press and hold for 3 seconds or more to enter Auto-switching mode. The LED lights green when the unit is in auto-switching mode. Press and hold the button for 3 seconds or longer to enter in Manual-switching mode.
3	RS-232 Serial port, 3-pin pluggable terminal block	This connects to the control terminal to control the AVS-HDB-WPTX, and supports bi-directional RS-232 control (send control signal from local or transmitter, send receive control signal from far-end devices).
4	VGA IN LED	<p>Connects to VGA source device.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Lights yellow when there is a VGA signal input. Lights green when the signal source is chosen as the input source. Off when there is no VGA input signal.
5	AUDIO IN	Connect with the audio output socket of VGA source device, deliver synchronous audio source with VGA signal source when choosing VGA as source signal.
6	HDMI IN	<p>Connect to HDMI source device.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Lights yellow when there is an HDMI signal input. Lights green when the signal source is the input source. Off when there is no HDMI input signal.
7	LINK and HDCP LED	<p>LINK: Twisted Pair Link status indicator, lights green when successfully connected.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> HDCP: HDCP compliance indicator, lights green when the source signals is HDCP; blinks when it is not HDCP; and turns off when there is no source signal.
8	RESET button	Press this button to reboot the AVS-HDB-WPTX.
9	USB	Used for firmware update. Plug a flash disk or other storage device with update file (MERGE.bin), and send command 50698% to update the firmware.

2.4.2 Side Panel

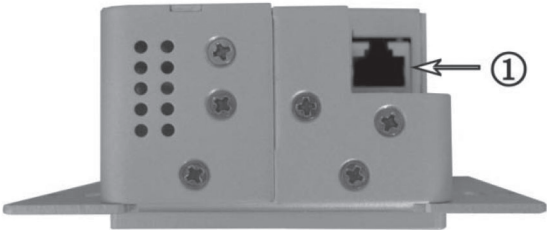


Figure 2-2. Side panel.

- 1. HDBaseT OUT: RJ-45 port, connect to a receiver via a CAT5e/6 cable to deliver Audio/Video signals, supports PoC.

NOTE: AVS-HDB-WPTX supports unidirectional PoC. It can be powered the by far-end receiver but it can't power the far-end receiver.

2.4.3 Back Panel

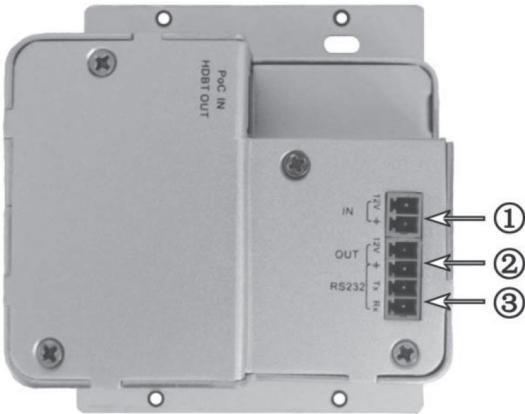


Figure 2-3. Back panel.

Table 2-2. Back panel components.

Number	Name	Description
1	Power In	Power in port, 2-pin pluggable terminal block, connects to 12-VDC power adapter.
2	Power out	Power out port, connects to AVS-CTRL8 to power it with a 12-VDC power output.
3	RS-232 serial port	Connects to a far-end receiver, supports bi-directional RS-232 control leads (sends the control signal from local devices or receives the control signal sent from far-end devices).

3. System Connection

3.1 Usage Precautions

1. Install the system in a clean environment that has a proper temperature and humidity.
2. Make sure that all the power switches, plugs, sockets, and power cords are insulated and safe.
3. Connect all devices before powering on.

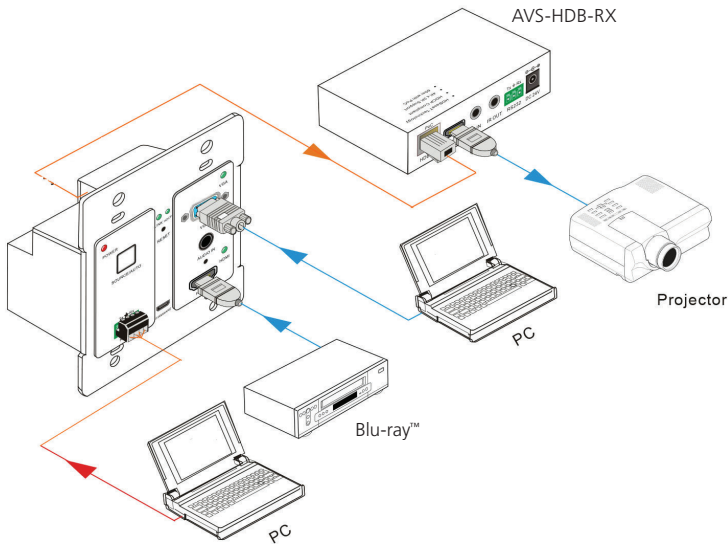


Figure 3-1. Connections.

3.2 Connection Procedure

Step 1: Connect an HDMI source device (e.g. Blu-ray DVD) to the HDMI input port of the AVS-HDB-WPTX with HDMI cable. Connect a VGA source device (e.g. PC) to the VGA input port of the AVS-HDB-WPTX with VGA cable.

Step 2: Connect a AVS-HDB-RX to the HDBaseT port on the rear panel with twisted pair.

Step 3: Connect a HDMI display to the HDMI OUT port of AVS-HDB-RX.

Step 4: Connect a control terminal to the RS-232 port on the front panel of the AVS-HDB-RX.

Step 5: Connect a control device (e.g. PC) to the RS-232 port of the AVS-HDB-WPTX or the AVS-HDB-RX (bi-directional RS-232 control, either is available).

Step 6: Connect the 24-VDC power adapter to the power port of the AVS-HDB-RX. AVS-HDB-WPTX can get power from AVS-HDB-RX via PoC.

NOTE: AVS-HDB-WPTX supports unidirectional PoC, i.e., AVS-HDB-WPTX can get power from far-end PoC devices with PoC function, but it can't power far-end PoC devices when the power supply is connected to the AVS-HDB-WPTX.

3.3 Powering On the Unit

AVS-HDB-WPTX has a 12-V power output port on the rear panel. Connect the 12-VDC power output port of the AVS-HDB-WPTX to the power port of the AVS-CTRL8 (refer to the following figure). AVS-HDB-WPTX can power the AVS-CTRL8.

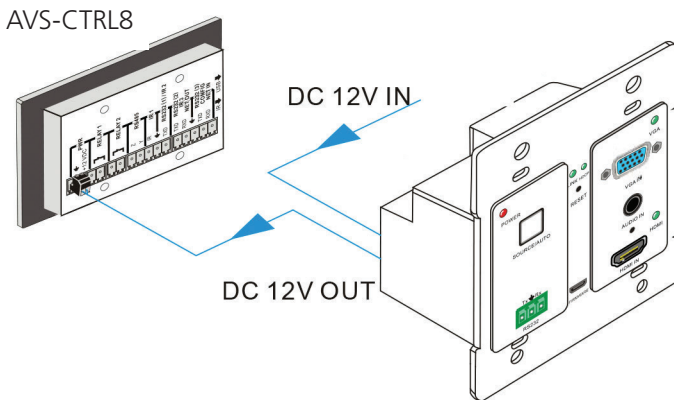


Figure 3-2. Power connections.

3.4 PoC Solution

AVS-HDB-WPTX has a HDBaseT OUTPUT port on the rear panel, which can extend HDMI/ VGA signals up to 60 m. It also supports PoC, which allows several terminals to share the same power supply and eliminates the need for an extra power supply at the remote nodes.

Connect a 24-VDC power adapter to the power port of AVS-HDB-RX. AVS-HDB-WPTX can be powered synchronously via PoC.

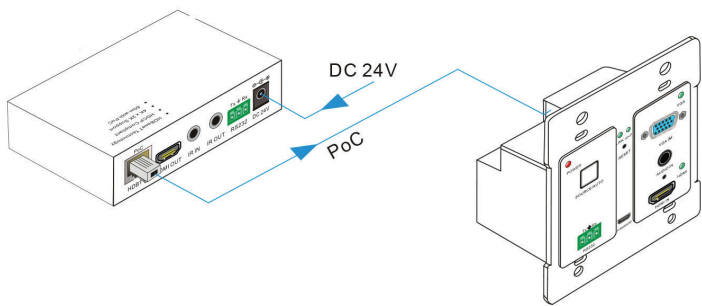


Figure 3-3. PoC connections.

3.5 Application

Use the AVS-HDB-WPTX for computer monitoring, conference rooms, large-screen displays, television, education applications and more.

4. Operation

4.1 Front-Panel Buttons

AVS-HDB-WPTX has a channel switching button on the front panel, through which users can switch input source signals.

It supports both manual switching and auto switching. (The default setting is Auto switching.) Press and hold the switching button for 3 seconds or send command "50770% " and "50771%" to switch between the two modes.

Switching modes:

- Auto switching mode: In this mode, the indicator will light green, and AVS-HDB-WPTX will recognize the last connected source device as the input source automatically.
- Disconnect the present source device, and it will deliver the other source signal (if there is an input signal on the other source).
- Manual switching mode: In this mode, the indicator will remain off. Press the switching button to select the input source, it will switch circularly between HDMI and VGA. Or switch it by sending RS-232 commands. The indicator of the selected input source will light green.

4.2 RS-232 Control

RS-232 can be transmitted bi-directionally between AVS-HDB-WPTX and AVS-HDB-RX, so it can control a third-party RS-232 device locally or control an AVS-HDB-WPTX from remotely. To control a third-party RS-232 device, set the baud rate of this device to 2400, 4800, 9600, 19200, 38400, 57600, or 115200.

Accessing through Serial

1. Using the client, select “serial” and enter “115200” for the speed (baud rate).

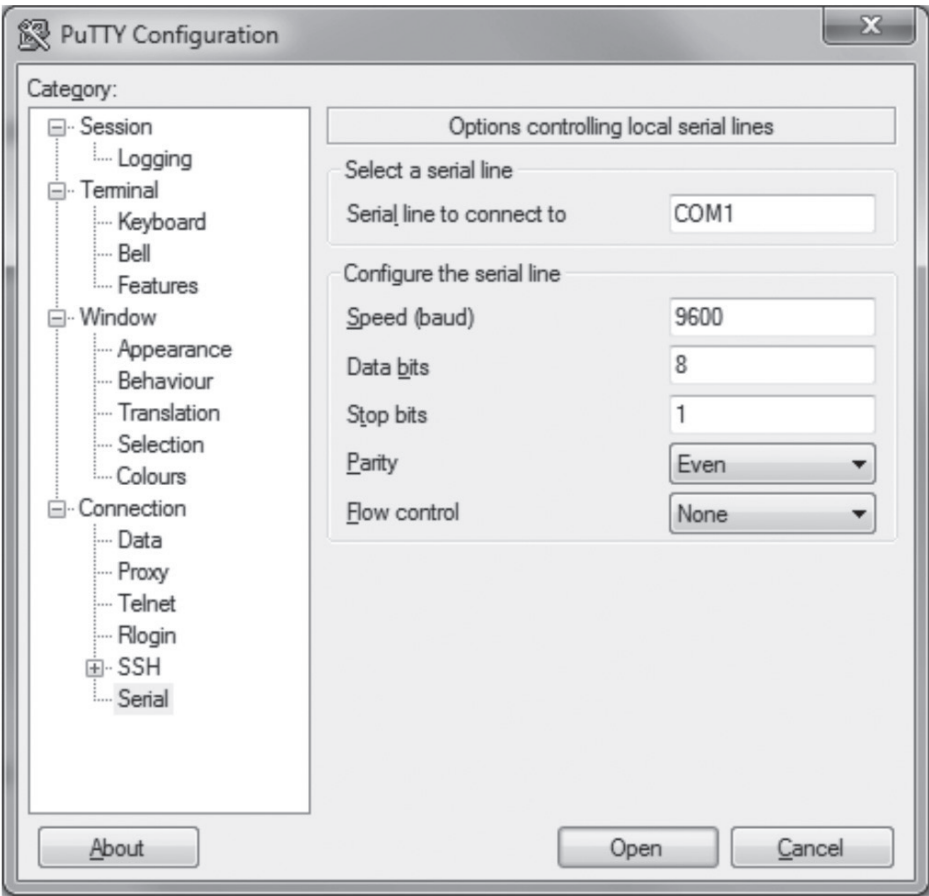


Figure 4-1. PuTTY configuration screen using serial.

2. No username or password is required. Just press enter.

Set the COM number, baud rate, data bit, stop bit, and parity bit correctly so you can send commands in the Command Sending Area of the screen.

NOTE: To control the AVS-HDB-WPTX via an RS-232 port, configure the communication protocol parameters as: Baud rate: 9600; Data bit: 8; Stop bit: 1; Parity bit: none.

4.2 RS-232 Communication Commands

Table 4-1. RS-232 commands.

Switch Commands		
Command	Function	Feedback Example
50701%	Switch to HDMI input	Switch to HDMI
50704%	Switch to VGA input	Switch to VGA
50705%	Change the horizontal polarity to the opposite.	Hpolarity:0/1
50706%	Change the vertical polarity to the opposite.	Vpolarity:0/1
50707%	Check the present resolution and polarity.	1920 x 1080 Hpolarity:1 Vpolarity:0
50770%	Enable auto-switching	Auto Switching
50771%	Disable auto-switching	Manual Switching
Resolution Commands		
Command	Function	Feedback Example
50619%	Change the resolution to 1360 x 768 HD	Resolution: 1360 x 768
50626%	Change the resolution to 1024 x 768 XGA	Resolution: 1024 x 768
50627%	Change the resolution to 1280 x 720 720P	Resolution: 1280 x 720
50628%	Change the resolution to 1280 x 800 WXGA	Resolution: 1280 x 800
50629%	Change the resolution to 1920 x 1080 1080P	Resolution: 1920 x 1080
50620%	Change the resolution to 1920 x 1200 WUXGA	Resolution: 1920 x 1200
50621%	Change the resolution to 1600 x 1200 UXGA	Resolution: 1600 x 1200

NOTE: Commands with grey background are for VGA sources only.

Table 4-1 (continued). RS-232 commands.

Setup Commands		
Command	Function	Feedback Example
502xx%	Set the brightness to xx. XX ranges from 00 to 99.	Brightness: xx
503xx%	Set the contrast to xx. XX ranges from 00 to 99	Contrast: xx
504xx%	Set the saturation to xx. XX ranges from 00 to 99.	Saturation: xx
505xx%	Set the sharpness to xx. XX ranges from 00 to 99.	Sharpness: xx
50606%	Auto-adjust the input parameter.	VGA Input Auto
50607%	Adjust the color temperature.	Color Temperature: xx (xx can be medium, warm, user, or cool)
50608%	Set the aspect ratio.	Aspect Ratio: xx (xx can be 16:9, 4:3, or auto.)
50614%	Set the picture mode.	Picture Mode: xx (xx can be dynamic, standard, mild, or user.)
50699%	Check the system version.	Version Vx.x.x
50779%	Switch to RS-232 mode 1, enable scaler to control far-end devices.	RS-232 Mode 1: RS-232 Control Scaler and Remote
50780%	Switch to RS-232 mode 2, enable far-end devices to control scaler.	RS-232 Mode 2: RS-232 and Remote Control Scaler
50790%	Set the HDCP status of the HDMI output socket to Active.	HDCP Active
50791%	Set the HDCP status of HDMI output socket to On.	HDCP On
50792%	Set the HDCP status of HDMI output socket to Off.	HDCP Off
50698%	Software update.	—

NOTE: Commands with grey background are for VGA sources only.

Table 4-1 (continued). RS-232 commands.

Setup Commands (continued)		
Command	Function	Feedback Example
50617%	Reset to factory default.	—
Inquire Commands		
Command	Function	Feedback Example
50632%	Check the output resolution .	Resolution: xx
50633%	Check the picture mode.	Picture Mode: xx
50793%	Check HDCP status.	HDCP Off HDCP On HDCP Active
50635%	Check the image aspect ratio.	Aspect Ratio: xx
50636%	Check the brightness.	Brightness: xx
50637%	Check the contrast.	Contrast: xx
50638%	Check the saturation.	Saturation: xx
50639%	Check sharpness.	Sharpness: xx
50640%	Check the color temperature.	Color Temperature: xx
Adjustment Commands		
50678%	Enable screen output adjusting.	Enter Output Position Adjust
50679%	Disable screen output adjusting.	Exit Output Position Adjust
50670%	Move the image to left.	Output Position Adjust X xx
50671%	Move the image to right.	Output Position Adjust X xx
50672%	Move the image up.	Output Position Adjust Y xx
50673%	Move the image down.	Output Position Adjust Y xx
50674%	Stretch left from left side (increase image width).	Output Width Adjust xx
50675%	Pull right from left side (decrease image width).	Output Width Adjust xx
50676%	Stretch upwards from bottom side (decrease image height).	Output Height Adjust xx
50677%	Stretch downwards from bottom side.	Output Height Adjust xx (increase image height)

Table 4-1 (continued). RS-232 commands.

EDID Commands		
Command	Function	Feedback Example
50772%	EDID passthrough	EDID: bypass mode
50773%	Set EDID passthrough	EDID:1080P&PCM 2ch
50774%	Set EDID data to 1080P Dolby 5.1	EDID:1080P&5.1ch
50775%	Set EDID data to 1080P3D Dolby 5.1	EDID:1080P3d&5.1ch
50776%	Set EDID data to 1080i PCM 2.0ch	EDID:1080i&PCM 2ch
50777%	Set EDID data to 4K*2K PCM 2.0ch	EDID:4K&PCM 2ch
50778%	Check EDID data	EDID:1080P&PCM 2ch EDID:1080P&5.1ch EDID:1080P3d&5.1ch EDID:4K&PCM 2ch
50799%	Program EDID file, send EDID data within 10s	Waiting for edid within 10 secs!

NOTES:

- 1. EDID commands are for HDMI sources only.

5. Troubleshooting

Problems/Causes/Solutions

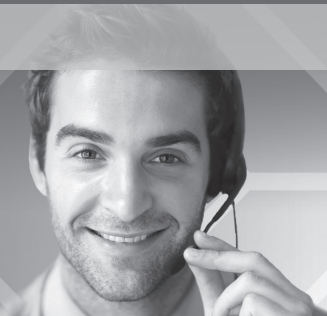
Table 5-1. Problems/Causes/Solutions.

Problems	Causes	Solutions
Losing color or no video signal output in HDMI display.	The cables may not be connected correctly or may be broken. The connecting cable's quality is bad. Failed or loose connection.	Check whether the cables are connected correctly and are in working condition.
No HDMI signal output in AVS-HDB-4TX while local HDMI input is in normal working state.		Try another high-quality cable.
Output image has snowflake pattern.		Make sure the connection is good.
POWER indicator doesn't work or does not respond to any operation.	Power cord connection failed.	Make sure the power cord connection is good.
Cannot control the device by control device (e.g. a PC) through RS-232 port.	Wrong RS-232 communication parameters.	Make sure the RS-232 communication parameters are correct.
Static becomes stronger when connecting the video connectors.	Bad grounding.	Check the grounding and make sure it is connected well.
Cannot control the device through RS-232 port or front-panel buttons.	The unit might be broken.	Contact Black Box Technical Support at 724-746-5500 or info@blackbox.com .

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